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FILE	Ind College of the Armed Forces.	STOCK CONTROL <i>System</i>	SFUND RECORDS CTR 108969
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NOTE TAKER	LB/hmb		
COMMENTS	<p>"Improvement in the Army supply system was constantly under study. One of the major problems in connection therewith was the development of information through study and experimentation that stocks on hand at posts, camps, stations, and ports of embarkation were in excess of the needs of these installations. These studies showed that a supplying installation would have on hand huge quantities of a certain item of supply but be completely out-of-stock on other items. This indicated maldistribution and a lack of proper foresight on the part of supply personnel in anticipating their needs. As a result, a <u>stock control system</u> for managing supplies was instituted. This system provided for the setting of required levels in the various echelons of supply and requisitioning to these levels in accordance with the actual amounts issued to the customer. This system required a revision in the thinking of supply personnel. It meant that <u>stock record cards</u> were to be used for the management of supplies primarily and for accountability secondarily. This was a complete reversal of the former system, where accountability was the primary consideration. Stock record cards were redesigned in order to provide all the necessary information for supply personnel to control their stocks and have this information available on a single card. Such control envisages the</p>		

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need of having complete information on stocks on ~~hand~~ hand, due in, and due out, plus the stock level required to be maintained. "

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